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#### Why Woodrow Wilson Will Stand By His Colored Fellow Citizens.

In various petitions, collective and individual, the colored citizens of the United States are appealing to their President to do all that the immense power and influence of his office en able him to do for their equal pro tection under the laws.

They are appealing to the Presi dent in respectful terms for a right, not for a favor. They are appealing with unanswerable logic. The circumstance that the President is a Southerner, and just now perhaps pecultarly sensitive to Southern Demo eratic opinion, does not weaken the confidence with which these colored citizens appeal to him.

This is the reason why we think they will not appeal in vain:

"MT DEAR BISHOP WALTERS: It is a matter of genuine disappointment to been bound for many weeks.

present, because there are certain things want to say. I hope that it seems superfluous to those who know me, but to those who do not know me perhaps it is not unnecessary for me to assure my colored fellow citizens of my earnest wish to see justice done them in every matter, and not mere grudging justice. but justice executed with liberality and cordial good feeling. Every guarantee of our law, every principle of our Constitution, commands this, and our sym-

pathies should make it easy. "The colored people of the United States have made extraordinary progress toward self-support and usefulness. of their race in the United States.

"Cordially and sincerely yours,

"WOODROW WILSON. "TRENTON, N. J., October 16, 1912."

for the first time a Presidential can-tend to act for the public weal. didate. But the sympathies he then declared were by himself described stances of mob disorder, the real could do to advance the interests of poses of the victim of the outburst. ciples of justice and right and law be revived? Why in East St. Louis. and a personal sense of duty.

manfully and indignantly in behalf of tation that nobody can defend?. the colored citizen's equal right to Wilson, similarly vigorous and permore practically effective, cannot, it would seem, be delayed much longer.

# Official Object Lesson for Ambi-

As the Creel-Daniels description of an "attack in force" on our transport fleet and a "battle between subma had been shown up previous to the miral's account of what happened has and lynchings are inevitable. merely cumulative value as evidence esses of that institution.

is of the highest interest, and if Mr. of slackness that bred contempt for by ambitious proprietors. How many CREEL and if Mr. Daniels are capable good order and its agents long before young architects and decorators were of learning anything, they may ex- the acts that attract attention were able to feed their families well be tract from it a valuable lesson with committed. They indict the practices regard to the form in which official that preceded them and condemn not The house at 33 West Thirty-third statements should be made.

they will observe that he compiled a to endure. highly interesting account of the incidents of the trip without resort to without slopping over; that he drew a picture convincing and enlightening of what occurred on the high seas

without a particle of "claboration."

acquire wisdom they will model their be accomplished. future outgivings on his succinct and | The remedy for these conditions admirable record, thus sparing us will not be found in recesting society repetition of the humiliation their in enacting new statutes or in en desire to stimulate "rejoicing" brought | deavoring to remodel human nature on the country.

#### The Knights Errant of the Upper

The same day's news which in orms us that the brilliant French aviator Georges GUYNEMER has brought down his fiftieth enemy airplane also reveals "complete allied mastery of the air" in the section of Escadrille of American air fighters is stationed.

The names of the men of the La fayette Escadrille are more familiar to their countrymen than the names of Haig and PETAIN, the commanders in chief of the British and French armies. THAW, LUFBERRY, ROCKWELL, ture which set the whole world in PARSONS, WILLIS-we read of their exploits almost daily. There is a the people over whom they ruled? thrill in the tale of their flying twenty miles behind the German lines without a single enemy aviator accepting tonic allies have captured and now their challenge to battle.

The air warrior represents a new fashion of exhibiting individual prowess. He had no existence in former wars, and it is an interesting phonomenon that just at the time when war has come to seem superlatively a matter of machinery the airman no type of fighter ever attained before. He is, indeed, by common consent a sort of embodiment of the cause for which he is fighting. In the old days hostile forces sometimes picked champions to settle once for all by single and mighty combat the victory of one side over the other. The perial duel has much the same fascination, as if two knights had entered the lists.

Nor are these lone encounters merely spectacular. The sum of them me that I shall not be present at the means mastery of the air for ourmeeting on Saturday night, but inas- selves or for the enemy. Without air much as I am cancelling every possible superiority we cannot reconnoitre or engagement, in view of the distressing guide our artillery. Everything that assault upon Mr. Roosevert, I do not is undertaken in the way of offensives feel that I can properly add others. I in France and Belgium now is made am fulfilling only those to which I have possible by the preliminary observations of the aviators and by their "It would afford me pleasure to be direct cooperation when the prepared assault begins.

The chance to exhibit personal bravery, originality and resourcefulness is one that will never be re fused by the livelier spirits among men. Small wonder, in view of the feats of Americans flying in France that upward of 3,000 young Ameri cans were reported recently as on the waiting list for aerial training.

#### Enforce the Law Everywhere and All the Time.

Neither the fact that the Industrial Workers of the World boast that they are outlaws defying every legislative and ought to be encouraged in every enactment designed to protect proppossible and proper way. My sympathy erty and life nor their record of lawwith them is of long standing, and I want less violence and murder absolves the to assure them through you that should Government from safeguarding them. I become President of the United States The murder of Lattle, one of the sothey may count upon me for absolute clety's executive committee, in Butte, ing and for everything by which Mon., is not less a murder because I could assist in advancing the interest LITTLE was a fomenter of disorder. and possibly the tool of Prussian enepeaceful and lawabiding life. The au-It is true that the letter to Bishop thorities declare that they will seek ALEXANDER WALTERS was written by out and prosecute his assassins, and Governor Wilson nearly five years this is their manifest duty, even ago, and only a few days before the though the authors of the crime prodate of the election at which he was claim themselves vigilantes and pre-

In this case, as in other recent its as of long standing; and the earnest question involved touches something offer of his services in everything he deeper than the conduct and the purthe race was based not on a desire Why are citizens of Butte convinced for colored votes, but on broad prin- that the vigilante committee should Ill., and in Chester, Pa., did mobs Colonel Roosevert, to whose then form and terrorize the towns? Why recent misfortune Governor Wilson in New Mexico did it appear neces so gracefully referred in the letter to sary to powerful elements in the com-Bishop Walters, has already spoken munity to institute a system of depor

In our opinion the answers to these work for a living wherever opportu- questions may be summarized in these nity offers. An expression of the words: The authorities, through laxsame just sentiments by President ness, through stupidity, through corruption, through mistaken lenity, tolhaps from his official position even erated disorder until the populations as privileged persons, informally comrines and its convoying naval vessels protection until they were convinced other but more lawful passion, the press that enjoys complete freedom. that their defence must come from tired millinery buyer would regard publication of Admiral GLEAVES's re- their own efforts. When this stage the stairs as the gamester did fifteen port for the fraud it was, the Ad- of popular opinion is reached riots years ago. The bronze door might be

Such outbreaks as have disgraces against the Committee on Public In- the country recently do not occur stay. Anyway, the door is to go. formation and the elaborative proc- where obedience to the law is the But in another aspect the report the existence of antecedent conditions the beautifying of gambling houses only those who participate in them Perusing Admiral Giraves's words but all who permitted those practices

At present these occurrences take Forty-fourth street and the club in on a peculiar significance because of the little park at Saratoga. Burheroics; that he gave credit to the the necessity of national solidarity names and his colleagues. Farence, naval and military men whose con- imposed on us by the war. A favorite, and Walsaum, bought the house and duct merited or required mention Prussian device is to encourage in the bronze door and built the marble ternal strife among the people of staircase to attract Canfield's pacountries at war with the German trons. Everything was expensive and Government. The opportunities afwithout resort to purple patches; and forded by associations and populathat the skill and readiness of our tions which by inefficient administraslept in a bed that cost \$900, although

fighting forces were set forth by him tion have been habituated to law- it brought him no fiver dreams of the lessness will not be overlooked by day at Gravesend when his great colt In short, Admiral GLEAVES pro the Kaiser's resourceful secret agents; Lamplighter beat Banquet and Sir duced a document which was all that the disposition to disorder established an official report should be, while Mr. by months or years of loose domestic CREEL and Mr. DANIELS produced a administration will not be neglected document which was everything such by them, and wherever one element a document should not be; and if they can be set against another this will

> tireless enforcement of the laws that repealed. If a law is equitable euforce it against all, and its fairness never a glance. will be demonstrated. But let no all conditions of men.

#### What Germany Has Won.

Three years ago to-day the two Em perors of Central Europe had Just embarked on the incendiary advenflames. What has it profited them or

The Berlin Tageblatt in its review of the three years says that the Teuhold about 548,737 square kilometers. Germany loosed upon the world.

Is Germany more respected than door that a Doge may have coveted. before that fateful day when the has soared into prominence such as scrap of paper was torn up and the scholarship and invention more highly esteemed? Is German trade thriving women's busy fingers build them. and rapidly extending in all parts of the world-or likely to in the next quarter century?

That 330,000 square miles of her neighbors' territory-every acre of which she will have to surrenderrepresents to-day the German gain from three years of war of unexampled savagery. What is the price

she has paid? The price in money spent, in lives sacrificed, in men crippled for life and made charges upon their com munities, colossal as it is, by no means measures to Germany and the Germans the real cost of their Emperor's criminal ambitions. In these respects the other nations of the world have shared with the aggres sor the burden of a bankruptcy expendiutre. But Germany will for years have to pay and pay again in costly isolation.

The price she has paid at home for militarism is heavy. The burden of bankruptcy, of starvation, of sorrow and sacrifice grows daily heavier, and still the war lords proclaim that Ger

many is victorious. The shadow of defeat broods over the land, but not for years to come will Germany understand how costly that defeat has been and how criminal was the lust for conquest which WEBB. imposed on the world the red madness of the three years just ended.

## New Form of the Ship Question.

The attention of some eminent gen tlemen now in retirement may well be called to the fact that the contro mies of the United States, than it versy over wooden ships versus steel would have been if he had led a ships has not been settled. It has only taken a new form.

In fact it has been transferred from the office of the Shipping Board, the halls of Congress and the press to the shipyards. There it takes the form of eager rivalry to see which can be built faster and in the greater number-steel or wooden ships.

This form of controversy can be re garded with philosophy, since whichever type wins the nation gets the sorely needed ships.

The House of the Bronze Door. It was a legend of the Tenderioin that the bronze door of the mos noted gaming house in West Thirty third street was found by STANFORD WHITE in Venice and that its cost to its owners, by the time it was ready to swing inward for business, wa \$28,000. The price seems a bit stiff and the inclination is rather to believe that the door's value went up to approximate the cost of the house's spiral staircase of carved marble, and sailors' which was put down at \$30,000. . The they serve lost confidence in them and stair was avowedly installed "to be in the law and regarded themselves talked about." With an electric elevator at hand, the usefulness of the missioned to do as they pleased, marble steps to the tired business Criminals and their hangers on were man of fifteen years ago was negliemboldened to infraction of the law; gible. The bronze door came to be men who suffered from their depreda- talked about more than the staircase. tions looked vainly to the officials for Now, with the building devoted to anuseful as a trade name, although the restaurant which exploited it did not

Some statistician may yet compute commonplace of life. They betray the millions that have been spent in cause John wished to outdo Dick? street came to be what it was because CANFIELD SCOTNED BURBRIDGE'S Offer of \$750,000 for the famous house in some of the things were in good taste. When FRED WALBAUM lived there he

Walter. The ambition to equal Canfield's was realized in a way, for

places the same night. All through the hotel district are house of the bronze door. Sooner or later the law steps in and reduces the value of the vanities about 80 per cent. One house in West Forty-It lies in honest, uncompromising and fifth street was ornamented with deadly barrage fire, which was lifted walls of polished walnut at a cost of the cheering infantry. As the harpoon are now in the books, without fear \$75,000, but now the patron of the or favor. If a law is oppressive en- table d'hote that is there browses on enemy lines they broke it into thouforce it, and it will be modified or his spaghetti in the soft brown radi- sands ance of the fine wood and gives it The day of extravagant furnishing

State or municipal executive invite of gambling houses in the city seems disorder by failing to enforce any over, and the motor car, innocent to the spine, shivered to death. the battle front where the Lafayette law, for from such conduct flow strife cause of so much economic revolution, and violence everywhere and among is the cause. It is easier, more economical, for gamblers to work near the outskirts. The patron who travelled in a hansom cab at the begin ning of the century is now content to be whisked to the seashore, where the rattle of the roulette ball is deadened by the surf. A younger generation of gamblers has succeeded CANFIELD and BURRRIDGE and DAVE JOHNSON. They are for sweetness and light, of course, and plenty of cold turkey for the weary traveller, but no bronze doors. They believe that if they must or rather more than 330,000 square travel, when the police make it necesmiles, of Entente territory. Aside sary, the fewer impedimenta the betfrom this it offers no evidence of ter. After all, the visitor is in search profit from the torrent of war which of excitement, and there is more of that in a stack of chips than in a

> CANFIELD is dead and with him died much of the gambler's delusion of great guns opened upon Liege? Are grandeur. When the bronze door is Germans better beloved, or more taken down, out comes the Gainsboreagerly sought as citizens by other ough picture-if Mr. Shrepy sold one nations? Are German erudition, to Dutch Fren-and in go Gainsborough hats, or the frames upon which

> > The Hon. CHARLES F. MURPHY, seek-The Hon. Charles F. Murphy, seeking a respectable figurehead for his
> > city ticket this fall, has learned to Personally, I am a native of New Engsympathize with the administrators of | land and have only been in the South for the draft law. The number of Tammany possibilities claiming exemption is shocking.

Bone dry legislation seems to over ook atmospheric humidity

"Why are we at war?" inquire the pacifists querulously. respond nine out of ten of such as them as got caught in the selective

Admiral GLEAVES not only confines himself to facts, but his literary style is far superior to that of George Carry,

CAPPE to build ships .- Despatch from Washington. Then Capps is the man the country

wants on the job. "The night made impossible any exact count of the U-boats gathered for what they deemed a slaughter.

And an elaboration can often be most effective by leaving exact numbers to the imagination. It is likely that no action will be taken by the House on the prohibition amendment before the new Congress convenes in December,—Representative

The "new Congress" in December will be the Sixty-fifth, now in extraordinary session. Representative WERB is a notable advocate of nationaught but he gets his parlie mentary facts twisted occasionally.

Twelve members of the French Chamber of Deputies have fallen on the field of battle. Our statesmen do not seem to court a like fate. In the question from Boy Scouts to middlemen House the one Representative to enter the army is the Hon, A. P. GARDNER, At the other end of the Capitol the patriots seem quite content to seek the bubble reputation at the Scnate's mouth.

The Government first talked of delivering Liberty bonds about July 1. then September 1, and now October 1 is mentioned to buyers. Of course the Bureau of Engraving and Printing has its hands full, but it would be a good thing to have the definitive seem to know. bonds ready for delivery not later than the eve of the flotation of the second loan, if only to show new subscribers what handsome acknowledgments Uncle Sam gives his nephews, really laborious work of picking and nieces.

Doubtful food is bad food.-Paymester-General McGowan, U. S. N.

Yet thousands support life on hash. Representative Lonergan of Con-

secticut has introduced a bill providing for the free carriage of soldiers' letters. It should be passed, and the consequent deficit in the postal revenues might profitably be met by abolishing the franking privilege now enjoyed by Congress-

port freedom of the press was a dismal failure, principally because the men vitally interested in the subject were busy reading or preparing a

The Madison Square meeting to sup-

Tammany's only chance of finding a clock from City Hall tower.

## Boy Scouts and Hot Horses.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Could the city during the hot spell, with a length of hose to play upon the over- the middleman is not his only foe. heated horses as they do in front of the building of the Society for the Prevenavenue? It seems to me that it might alleviate their sufferings. MARGARET D. SNELLING.

NEW YORK, August 2.

From the Window. When first to the breeze the flag he threw

was, he vows, red, white and blue. But waving in the sunshine bright. It soon became red, white and white. And now, with thanks to restless dyes,

White, white and white is what he flies. Yet, after all, what need to care? The colors run, but the spirit's there

A SEASONABLE DRIVE.

SOMEWHERE IN CROCKERLAND, August -A gigantic offensive was launched by the Allied Eskimo armies to-day against the savage tribes of Crussians District Attorney JEROME raided both dwelling in the interior. An advance of seven inches was made on the North Glacier, the Allied Eskimo houses with a history like that of the hitching their siedges to the glacier, which moved forward at its normal rate of seven inches a day.

igloos and one bearskin were taken. Using their harpoon artillery the Allied Eskimos delivered a heavy and points struck the ice within of splinters. Many of thes found their way down the Crussians backs, slipping in at the back of their necks and melting beneath their regu lation olive drab sealskin uniforms. The unfortunate Crussians, chille-

### THE BOY SCOUT FARMERS. Some Official Testimony on the East

ern Shore Experiment. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT! Th enclosed letter was prompted by a clipping from your editorial page sent to the Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore and probably forwarded by them to the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot

The letter itself states the case in answer to your editorial article. You may not be aware of the feeling created by an unfair statement appearing in a Northern paper criticising a Souther

It is very evident that the editoria article was based on a limited knowl-DAVID P. RANBOM. edge of fact. WOODSTOCK, Vt., July 31.

Mr. D. Roneom, Woodstock, Vi.: DEAR SER: I have before me a clipping from the Norfolk Firginian-Piter of this ish than the House of Parliament, for orning, with a letter from you relating if a loving nickname for Uncle Sam's trip which the Boy Scouts made the Eastern Shore.

Evidently the Northern newspapers have gladly taken up the articles in ou papers which came from the boys and which were unauthorized, but neglected to print the statements which were issued by the men when they returned from the

While there is more truth than poetr few months, therefore would not be readly accused of trying to gloss over the action of the farmers of Eastern Shore. While the camp of which I had charge prob-ably suffered more inconvenience and real hardships than any other camp on the Shore, I am ready to say that the farmers things with which they had nothing to Mr. Greening asserts, be an "object of de, and I have not found any foundation ridicule to the Tommies." whatever for any tale of wage discrimi-nation. This yarn originated with one of the boys from my camp and was a nat ural misunderstanding on his part, as he did not have the whole facts of the case. One farmer had hired several boys from me at 15 cents, and when he found that said nothing to the boys, as he had done his business with me. The very next time that he saw me, before the boys had ap-peared in print, he told me that he would settle up at 25 cents, the same as he had

with the other help.

While it is unfortunate that the North ern papers have given so much space to this flasco, still perhaps it is well enough. I have no reputation to save, as I, personally, had nothing to do with planning the trip, or with running it, except to look out for my own bunch of boys. The boys were right in their statements of improper housing (in fact, we had sleep haif our boys on the ground witho for putting the blame for this on the

farmers, and I want to correct that viet Sincerely yours.

A. K. Woodstock,
Scout Executive, Norfolk, Va., Directo

# of Scout Camp at Machipongo, Va. Nozrotz, Va., July 17.

More About Virginia Potatoes. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT have just received a copy of the editorial article in THE SUN in which the discussion of everything on the potate answered. The quotation "We cannot tell what he saith" seems to fit in this

Pirst that Boy Scout business. If the people in this part of the country get the thing straight the Agcultural Department sent word to the different papers appointing a time and place for a discussion of this matter. The farmers attended and were told that they would be furnished with all of these boys they asked for, each farmer paying \$2 before leaving the meeting for what purpose most of them do not

These little chaps meant well, and were manly, quiet, polite lads, but of course were no more able to work steadlly all day under the hot sun at the potatoes than bables. Some thought it such a joke that they started out in bathing suits, neck, arms and legs bare, The result was obvious.

plained. This is the tale as I heard it Let me assure you, though, that no potatoes were left in the field to waste on this account. I do not know of farmer in a large territory who could not get all the negro pickers he needed. So there has been no "wastage resulting from the interruption of harvest." and if you will count up the following you will see that no farmer is going to "destroy foodstuffs" to any great extent: Fertilizer, \$37 to \$29 a ton: barrels, 35 cents each; covers, 414 cents; seed notatoes, \$8 to \$10 a barrel; polson for bugs, 45 cents a pound; picking up, 15 to 25 cents a barrel.

Added to this expense most of the land this year was covered with lime in the hope that that would take the place of some chemicals in fertilizer. Add the price for shipping, percentage an issue may lie in the absence of for seiling, cost of labor, interest on land, and lastly, farmer's salary, which the world seems to think is an unneces-People seem to have wakened to the fact that the farmer is not a grotesque figure, with no brains not Boy Scouts be stationed at the and certainly with no conscience, who hydrants at different points throughout only asks a living return for his produce and usually does not get it, and

Won't you tell the good people that there is a shortage of a million barrels of potatoes just on the peninsula, and the farmer in most cases has less than end to save some of the animals and half a crop? You dear fastidious souls refuse to pay a fair profit on this commodity at present, due to the fact that potatoes are dirty. Due to the old dame, Nature, sending so much rain that in most instances the potatoes are lying in winrows of mud. But no one seems to consider any sympathy due the farmer, only a little extra jab at him because he dares to send potatoes to narket with a small portion of soil on them, and which he is informed drops the price a little further.

If it was not too long I would like to quote all of your paragraph beginning, "Any of them will adjust his

profitable conclusion." Which is quite true, and if it was anybody but a farmer attempting this feat, people would say, "Right he is in doing it, Strange the farmer has not the same right. The above quotation should apply equally to the

who must use paper and ink and Uncle

Sam's mails, but who send up a wall

on the least change in price. You dear, broad minded, generous soul, go to sleep to-night happy and glad, as I can assure you that lots of farmers will come through this season's work in debt due to the fact that the crops will not pay expenses, and we have not yet learned to profitably can potato tops. Rest assured that many of you who growled at prices paid for potatoes last winter will not be troubled that way later, as you will not be able has fust paid \$95 for a ton and a half of fertilizer, which is entirely without potash, the necessary food for potatoes. In closing I admit as you say, "From the farmer to the green grocer every individual who handles food is looking profits," and, sad to say, he must

farmer and tell him how he may do away with this state of affairs and still AN EASTERN SHORE VIRGINIA FARMER'S WIPE. WARDTOWN, Va., July 31. .

thought it no crime. Perhaps you will

kindly publish another rebuke to the

It Is a Name Our Fighting Boys Get From Their Popular Uncle. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: H.

"SAMMY."

name will not be popular in England. This terrific indictment will be bound affect those "Americans" whose dearest dream it is to appear more Britnephews affronts England it will meet

their severe disapproval. Rather! Mr. Greening's wish to abolish the rightful and honest name by which the world knows Uncle Sam's fighting nephews is of a cut with the wish of me other "Americans" that our workmen give up their beer so that British siderable degree, and whether their workmen may have more of it to drink that our folks eat corn bread so that London may eat more wheat bread; that we have meatless days so that England

may not be thus lamentably afflicted. Anyway, now that we have Great Britain as an ally, it was uncouth in last two years make it imperative that Mr. Greening to remind us that in the past Uncle Sam has not been popular in dear old England. Now that Sammy is fighting with Tommy he seems certain to be endured, at least, rather than, as

U. S. PTPPTN. WEST ORANGE, N. J. August 2.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Fo eaven's sake, why does THE SUN, a first class newspaper, allow its headline artists to use the insufferable, infamous, effeminate, asinine nickname "Sammy in its headlines?

No one ever writes it except in headlines and no one ever speaks it, and any self-respecting boy who enlists or who is drafted would hit a man for calling him L. A. Coolinge.

BOSTON, August 2.

## "Sammles."

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SE Please, please do not further the notion of calling our troops "Sammies"

Let their popular name evolve "To be shot through the heart and have one's name spelled wrong in the gazette" is mild misfortune compared to being described as a "Sammy. A "Teddy Bear" or a "Bill Possum

even might be endured, or a "Baker's A MOTHER OF FIGHTING BOYS

#### WATCH HILL, R. I., August 2. THE REALM OF MYSTERY.

Wilkes Booth Another Whom Whis-

pers Would Not Let Die. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT: was much interested in your article concerning Kitchener and the various other celebrities whom some people believe to have survived their historic fates. In northern Kentucky there is a tale told among the negroes and poor whites to the effect that John Wilkes Booth was never shot at all, but escaped to Kentucky and lived a hermit there in

the mountains. It was said that every year a dark, silent man would go alone to the hu and a day later return to Louisville Where he went from there no one ever knew. It would be whispered about that the mysterious, silent person was Edwin Booth and that he had come to see his brother and leave him money. It was said that these visits continued till 1890 and then ceased. The mystery. there ever was one, was never ex-

The Claimants of King Arthur. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir! You have a fine editorial article on Kitchener, but King Arthur was not an Englishman, and he is not in the Isle of

LTONS, August 2.

He is awaiting Celtia's call, and she is calling him now; so we may hope for revival of his spirit, which was one of devotion to the high ideals of the uncanny, psychic Celts. King Arthur was the implacable foe

Avalon awaiting England's call.

of the English Saxons, and fought many battles with them. Shades of Gawain, Lancelet and Redivere, Merlin and Elaine, King Arthur

an Englishman! The founder of the Clan MacArthur BROOKLYN, August 2.

"Better Boches!"

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir; Have

you abandoned your search for a national war slogan, or is it merely in abeyance? If the latter, permit me suggest the following, which seems at least to have the merit of brevity : "Fewer, but better, Germans," H. D. BRANDYCE. NEW YORK, August 1.

om the Philadelphia Evening Ledger. Unfortunately we've mislaid the Judge's ame, but his court room is in New Bed-ord. Mass. Before him appeared a defendant who, hoping for laniency, pleaded. fendant who, hoping for lentered, because "Judge, I'm down and out." Whereupon said the wise Judge: "You're down, but

you're not out. Six months."

A Bay State Solomon.

Viola Paradise's Wish. From Poetry.

When the wind chilly blows
I'm glad I wear clothes.
When the sun hath me bak-ed
I wish I were naked.
Viola T. Parapiss.

## business to bring his transaction to a THE EXCESS PROFITS TAX: AN INDE. PENDENT AND ORIGINAL VIEW.

An American Manufacturer Who Calls for a Straight Tax on All Profits. Without Exemptions.

There is a proposition now before | tained in their businesses if those busithe United States Senate to guarantee nesses are to continue, to business men against taxation such portions of their 1917 profits as tax is modelled on the English plan, but

not exceed \$5,000. May I respectfully inquire whether the Government has under consideration any plan whereby the men who are going to the front shall be guaranteed a homecoming in the same condition in which they left our shores and with as much money in their pockets as they would have earned if there had not been any war, and do this or go under, and I suppose has whether provision has been made that a considerable number of them shall earh up to \$5,000 for the year? If the Government has no such plan in contemplation, then the proposed excess profits tax, or exempt profits tax, is something that is not in line with

present day progress and ideals.

There should be no exemptions in the war tax, either on account of past of revenue required to carry on the profits or on account of capital, or in any fixed amount. A straight tax terprises are either defeated or dis-should be levied on all of the profits couraged by the legislation; if for earned by everybody in business at the present time, to whatever amount is tail their operations, then the total C. Greening wants you to stop calling present time, to whatever amount is tail their operations, then the total our soldiers "Sammies" because the required by the Government to finance profit will be reduced and the total the war and win it. Every American amount of taxes collected will correenterprise should share in the fund. spondingly fall, and if the production No part of any profit should be exempt, and every business man, large or small, who does not go to the front should be made to feel that he has a

money stake in the war. The enactment of an excess profits to every situation, but that method law will also. I believe, bring about two economic disturbances of grave importance: First, it will throw the of the country, and which consequently great burden of the taxation on those can be made to yield the greatest rms who are not exempted to a conprofits are due to the war or not they will be unable to function if they must give up in cash a considerable portion of their profits, because the rapid ad- ing as compared with the intricata vance in the value of commodities and the growth of most businesses in the keeping an army corps in the field a major portion of their profits be re-

MOSQUITO RIDDANCE.

Not Entirely a Phantom, as Panama

Will Attest.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT:

public at large. H. K. Twirchkill,

Extermination Committee.

TRADE BRIEFS.

oushels this season, it is estimated. This will be an increase of 19 per cent. over

It is asserted that a market for agri-

Manganese exports from Brazil in 1916

a substantial increase over the experts of the preceding year. If better transpor-

tation facilities existed, an American com-

Hand agricultural tools, including cut-

They are made in two sizes, one 15%

inches long and the other 17% inches, and are sold unaharpened.

about 50 per cent, greater than the yield

Coal gas has proved to be a successful

substitute for gasdene as motive power at Bradford, England, Slight changes have

e be made in the mechanism of automo

sociations have requested that catalogues

A market for tractors could be devel-

oped in the Spanish provinces comprising the Seville Consular district. Three mill-

ion acres of land are under cultivation in

Ar Allfired Particular Kentuckian.

Advertisement in the Borboursville Mountain

I want a wife, one that has been raised

35, who does not use souff or chew to-

From the Blanchester Star-Republican

talk to the owners of the chickens, but

to the chickens, because they are much more intelligent.

If chickens trouble your garden do not

farm, between the ages of 21 and

Advocate.

Nova Scotia's 1917 apple crop will be

Room 409, Custom House, New York.

he 1915-16 production.

is desired for this product.

this country for indigo.

of last year, it is estimated.

biles using the new fuel.

be sent to them.

not a humbug.

One hears everywhere in Washing ton that the proposed excess profits

are equal to the average of the profits there are these essential differences A-In England there has been rigor. earned by them during the years 1911, ously established a maximum price for 1912 and 1913, or such amounts as may commodities, which makes it possible for profits to accrue in the form of Without such price regulations in war time profits will not accrue in the form of cash, but they will be rep.

resented by the enhanced value of the ommodities dealt in. B-England did not have two years of commercial expansion before entry into the war, and therefore the war time condition of her industries had not at that point changed from their pre-war condition to as great

an extent as ours. C-During the first year of England's war the percentage of her total war expenditure derived from taxes, as compared with loans, did not approach anything like the proportion which this Senate bill proposes to derive from taxes.

Secondly, the bill may fall of its major object, to collect the amount war. If a considerable number of en want of sufficient cash they must curof the country is materially lessened our armies and those of our allies will

face almost certain defeat.

No method of taxation that can devised will apply with equal justice should be applied which will in the least degree discourage the production can be made to yield the greatest amount of revenue in the form of taxes.

That method is a straight tax on all profits. Such a tax can be easily and economically administered. The sav-Senate proposal would go far toward MARTIN LEVY Treasurer Stillwater Worsted C

## "IT IS OUR FIGHT."

#### An American of German Blood Warns of the Prussian Horror.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIV am of German blood. I have been have read with a good deal of interest the letter addressed to you by Mr. Wal- Europe within a year. I have seen ter Van Nostrand replying to a letter many phases of this war. To-day I am rom me which you very kindly published recently upon the subject of mos- like to ask you this question: If the quito extermination on Long Island. It American people see this thing as seems by this time they must, why to be regretted that more people are not familiar with the modern methods God's name are we not getting things of mosquito extermination that have done as America is capable of doma proved so successful wherever they have things? If the political leaders and intelligent officers of this Government received a fair trial. If Mr. Van Nosknow what they absolutely cannot belo rand will take the time to confer with those who are in charge of this work knowing about the progress of the wa what in God's hame is their excuss for in Panama and in Cuba he will find

that mosquito extermination work is the bickering and paralysis that bligh Washington to-day You direct a big newspaper; The commission in Nassau county has not been organized long enough to cover speak to thousands of people daily beg and charge you to do your part the ground entirely, and while I am not familiar with the situation there I drive home the tremendous truth t this is America's war. The menant am confident that where their work has been thoroughly done there has been a Prussianism is clutching as gree relief from the mosquito pest, and that toward America as it ever did Belgium. We fancy we are a long war off; that this thing is remote from our ventually Nassau county will be greatly benefited by the work of this commisland and our women and bables. In ion, except in places where mosquitoes

are blown in from breeding territories the name of heaven and rightcourse in Suffolk county, where work has not do your bit to waken us! It is our fight. This great, fire seen cone. If Mr. Van Nostrand will make a study of the subject he will United States is threatened deadly venomous plague of Prunning find that mosquitoes do not breed in ism, threatened just as certainly a the damp mainland, but that it is abman is with ceath. solutely necessary for water to remain is no plague in history fit to compa stagnant for ten or twelve days before the mosquito larva is produced. The close quarters. Rome in her most am time will come when mosquitoes will bitious days could never have equalhave been almost entirely eliminated the deliberate, scientific devilishness of from Long Island, and great praise will eventually come to the legislators who this Prussianism. The barbarlans northern Asia have been infants at old are able to look shead and are willing in the matter of barbarities. Million o put through legislation, even before ism is a mere incidental; that is there is a great demand for it from the the vehicle on which this Prussian gard has been riding. We do not read of the Treasurer Nassau-Suffolk Mosquito really horrible things of this was over here: in fact they are not printed to must see to grasp what it means. 1

the German organization has not india's wheat crop will total 10,160,666 petrated on men, women and children and it is done coldly, deliberately, w scientific accuracy. The propaganda "frightfulness," as we mildly call it Samples of a vine suitable for making samples of a vine surface received by just as integral.

attan furniture have been received by Staff's calculations as are its many the Bureau of Fereign and Domestic Com-merce from a firm in Brazil. A market guns. Teutonic blood is good blood it had

played its part in civilization. But these

cursed Prussian bloochounds are a mil

tation: they are an accident in Test

you that there is not a crime in

calendar, thinkable or unthinkable, th

cultural implements might be developed at Turin. Italy. A list of possible im-porters of these supplies can be seen at history. They do not deserve even appellation of Huns. It is our fight! Germany has call totalled 503,120 tons, valued at \$7,080,954. lated on us as surely as she ever did on France. We must get into !! We must organize; Congress must stop its pany in the State of stahla estimates, about 20,000 tons of one could be shipped monthly from its mines. damcable political squabbling ; we must have a food director; we must have director of industrial resources we A firm in India is seeking a market in must build those ships and similares without any more Goethals-Dennis fairs: we must above all things lasses, hose, forks and spades, are in de-mand throughout Jamaica. Cutlasses are should never be over thirty day expecially needed by the native workmen, tant from forced resignation. tant from forced resignation we

have results regardless of any boo Help us to wake up! Make understand this job that she may as she is capable of doing !! BENJAMIN

As They Tell It in Upper Michigan

Dafter correspondence of the Box At the home of the bride a American motor ploughs have demon-strated their worth in the sugar beet lands of sunshine ever rests, had of Switzerland. Several agricultural as- greet the happy occasio Donaldson and Miss Pear Dafter, Wednesday afternoon Archibatd S. Kerr performed the with the new and ever ineffective. After the many and other points who were here to witness the notable eve had considerable trouble to put forward to shake hands who was fortunate enough chandise to buy the pear is above rubles. The Times !!

> And There Generally Is From the Houston Post There are times when it is entitled to permit the brain to get to there is a wide open mouth in its o

congratulations, along with

long life and prosperits